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Grady Appointed New Agawam Police Chief

In the opinion of the Board of Selectmen, acting as Police Commissioners, two candidates made an excellent showing based on the ratings established by the Civil Service Board. The fact that two individuals could come within less than



CHIEF KENNETH GRADY one-half of 1% in examination marks is indicative of the abilities of the two men who took the required examinations.

Because the rating was so close, the Board reviewed factors involving both candidates, concerning length of experience, seniority and administrative background. It is because of these factors and in the best interest of the Town of Aga-

Robinson Park PTA Fathers Night

Football Coach Leonardi To Present Program



HARRY LEONARDI

Mrs. David Skolnick, program chairman, of the Robinson Park Elementary School, announces that Harry Leonardi, football coach at Agawam High School, will be the guest speaker at the Parent Teachers Association meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 24 at 7:45 p.m.

Fathers are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Mr. Leonardi will present a physical fitness program based upon President Kennedy's national health program. Demonstrations and exhibition will be given by several high school students. This promises to be a most interesting and rewarding experience.

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Junior High Honor Roll Announced

Principal Raymond Harris of the Junior High School has announced the school honor rolls for the period ending December 22.

In Grade 8, there were 11 maximum honor students and in Grade 7, there were 7. A large group in each class were on the general honor rolls. The rolls are as follows:

SEVENTH GRADE HONOR ROLL
MAXIMUM HONORS: Veronica Beer, Deborah Fessler, Regina Harrington, Jerold Mikzewski, Deborah Monczka, Jacqueline Scott, Larry Thompson.

GENERAL HONORS: Donald Andreoli, Gail Begley, Bernadette Bigda, Steven Blackburn, Ralph Bottaro, Daniel Bouchard, Ronald Bowden, Donald Bragg, Susan Brusseau, Sheila Burns, Suzanne Campbell, Cynthia Carlisto, John Carney, Margaret Case, Mary Ceccarini, Lewis Chicklas, Cynthia Coburn, Diane Coffey, Mynetta Collins, Minga Rae Danna, Thomas DeFilpi, Michael DeForge, Donna Dow, Susan Durant, Richard Dynia, Dorr Exford, Harold Etterman, Daniel Ferrero, James Foley, Dolores Frasco, Jane Gallerani, Holly Gibson, Douglas Grant, Kathy Grassa, Janis Gray, Kent Gregory, William Hine, Sandra Joyce, Karen Keefe, Linda Kerr, Linda Krygowski, Richard Locke, Linda Lowery, Daniel MacPhail, Diane Malley, Lauren Maniscalchi, Charles Mc-

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The Franklin Printing Shop at 63 Franklin St., Feeding Hills is owned and operated by Daniel DiDonato.

Mr. DiDonato has been in the

E. PEABODY, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

Enters Navy



STANLEY C. HARWOOD

Stanley C. Harwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Maynard of 61 Bridge Street, has enlisted in the U.S. Navy as apprentice seaman and reported to Waukegan, Ill., on Tuesday, January 9. Stanley attended Agawam High School. The announcement that an article in the Town Warrant creating the position of Chief Librarian is an important major step in the right direction and we, the Executive Board of the Friends of the Library in Agawam, urge the acceptance of Article 7 at the Town Meeting on February 17.

It may take awhile to find a professionally trained librarian as the shortage is acute. That is one reason why the Personnel Board is to be congratulated for the creation of the position NOW so as to give the Library Trustees a chance to start looking.

The present librarians have done a commendable job as part-time employees and Agawam owes a great deal to these dedicated women. This new position will in no

I am a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Massachusetts.

I am a candidate because I believe the greatest challenge in Massachusetts today is the improvement of our state government. I want clean government that is effective. The people want clean government that is responsive. These mutual goals form the basis of a partnership.

In my tours around Massachu-

Golden Agers To See Travelogue Film

Rev. Herbert Loomis will present a travelogue film for the entertainment of the Agawam Golden Age Club at their next meeting, January 24.

January 10 Meeting Attended by 96

Mrs. Elsie Hastings, Vice President of the Club, conducted the business meeting, as Mrs. Martha St. Germaine, President, was absent due to a death in her family.

The meeting was attended by 96 members. A social hour and games were enjoyed by all.

CHIEF LIBRARIAN POSITION ARTICLE IN TOWN WARRANT

Friends of Library Executive Board
Urge Support of Article 7.

way jeopardize their jobs.

A full-time Chief Librarian can stimulate a desire for reading in pre-schoolers as well as in graduate students home weekends and vacation time. Stimulating the desire for reading is a 365 day a year job if done correctly and competently.

Coordinating the reference needs for our children, plus stimulating the desire to read for enjoyment and study are two exceedingly important reasons for creating the position of Chief Librarian. Other articles will follow giving other important reasons.

Certainly we owe it to our children to support Article 7 in this forthcoming Town Warrant by asking all Town Meeting Members we know to vote for it on February 17.

Franklin Printing Shop

printing business for 22 years, starting in his high school days with a little hand press given to him by his uncle. The first business he handled was calling cards for his school chums. Letterpress and

offset printing are now a specialty of the shop.

The Franklin Printing Shop was the first printing business established in Agawam.

sets during the past few weeks, I have found that people are concerned with two main issues; corruption in our state government and the heavy burden of taxes, particularly local real estate taxes.

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ENDICOTT PEABODY

led and disillusioned by the condition of their state and local governments. Exposures of graft and corruption have multiplied so that almost weekly there appears a black headline telling of some new conflict of interest—some new indictment—or some new misuse of public funds.

I have found the people worried about the deterioration of our cities and towns as a result in great measure of ever-increasing local taxes. Main Street, Massachusetts, is fast becoming a wasteland of empty stores, abandoned hotels, an decaying commercial buildings. Working men and women of Massachusetts—homeown-

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Supper Chairman



LUCY CHRISTOPHER

The Agawam Democratic Women's Club will hold a Ham and Bean supper on Saturday, January 27 at St. John's Hall on Main Street, Agawam Center. Servings will be at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Lucy Christopher is general chairman of the supper, assisted by the Board of Directors with Mrs. Julie Landers, president, as Honorary Chairman.

Tickets for adults are \$1.25 and children under 12 at reduced rate. Door prizes will be awarded.

Reservations may be made with Mrs. Jesse Boyer at RE 6 2227 or 27711.

CHURCH NEWS

Baptist Church

Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart, Pastor
Rev. Dorothy Pease, Minister of Education
Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist and Choir Director
Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary

Thursday—1:30 p.m., the Ella Bond Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Elsie Hastings on School Street. This will be a White Cross meeting. 7:30 p.m., the Senior Choir will rehearse at church.

Saturday—3:30 p.m., the Junior Bell Choir will rehearse at church.

Sunday—9 and 11:10 a.m., two morning Worship Services. Rev. Benjamin Lockhart will preach at both morning services. The Celestial Choir will sing at first service and Senior Choir will sing at second service. 9:30 and 10 a.m., Church School for all; 5:30 p.m., Junior High BYF will meet at church; 6 p.m., Senior BYF will meet at church; 7:30 p.m., Young Adult Federation will meet at church for their weekly meeting. Any young people between the ages of 18 and 25 are invited to be a part of this group.

Monday—6:50 a.m., the Men's Christian Growth Group will meet at church. John Hastings will be the host. 7:15 p.m., a rehearsal for RAPAHO RHYTHM will be held.

Tuesday—8:45 a.m., Ladies' Christian Growth Group will meet; 7 p.m., Celestial Choir will rehearse at church.

Wednesday—10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m., Trading Post will be open; 3 p.m., Melody Choir will rehearse at church; 7:15 p.m., a rehearsal for the Mr. and Mrs. Club show, RAPAHO RHYTHM, will be held in Fellowship House. Show will be presented at Agawam High School on February 16 and 17.

Congregational Church

Rev. Herbert F. Loomis, Interim Minister

Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint, Minister of Music

Friday—7:30 p.m., Adult Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m., Square Dance at Parish House.

Saturday—8:45 a.m., Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:45 a.m., Junior Choir rehearsal; 1 p.m., Inter-Church League Basketball at West Springfield "Y". Jr. P.F. vs. Mittenague Congregational; 1:45 p.m., Sr. P.F. vs. Mittenague Congregational.

Sunday—9 a.m., Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 10 a.m., Church School Grades 7-12; 11 a.m., Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 9 and 11 a.m., the Church at Morning Worship. Sermon by Rev. Herbert F. Loomis, Interim Minister, "The Secret of Happy Living". 6 p.m., Ju-

nior Pilgrim Fellowship meet; 7 p.m., Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meet; 7:30 p.m., Young Adult Federation of Agawam meets at Baptist Church.

Tuesday—Christian Social Action Committee meets at home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gaunt, 8 p.m. 6:30 p.m., Senior High Choir Rehearsal.

Thursday—12 noon, Ladies Aid Luncheon at Parish House.

St. David's Church

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday—7 p.m., Boy Scout Troop #79 meets; 8 p.m., Meeting of the Altar Guild at the Church.

Friday—10 a.m., Convocation Auxiliary meets at St. Philips, Easthampton.

Saturday—Senior Fellowship basketball 3:30 p.m.

Sunday—8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., Morning Prayer and Sermon; 4 p.m., Acolyte Festival, St. Peters, Springfield; 7 p.m., Vespers and Youth Fellowship.

Monday—8 p.m., Activity Club meets at the parish hall.

Tuesday—3 p.m., Girl Scout troop #232; 7 p.m., Acolytes meet at the church.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m., choir practice at the church.

Thursday—9 a.m., Holy Communion-Conversion of St. Paul.

Feeding Hills

Congregational Church

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Pastor
Friday—7:30 p.m., Bible Study Class in Spear Room.

Saturday—9:30 a.m., Junior choir rehearse at church; 10:30 a.m., Cherub choir rehearse at church.

Sunday—9:30 a.m., First morning service. Regular Sunday School classes in session. 11:30 a.m., Second morning service. Nursery and Kindergarten classes in session. Rev. Abram Sangrey, Executive Secretary of the Greater Springfield Council of Churches will conduct the services. 5:30 p.m., Junior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting; 7 p.m., Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.

Wednesday—7 p.m., Senior choir rehearse at church.

The annual meeting of the Church will be held on Tuesday, January 30, starting at 6:30 p.m. with a Covered Dish Supper. The meeting will start at 8 p.m.

Lay Memorial Methodist Church

Rev. Francis J. Ducharme, Pastor

Friday—3 p.m., Junior choir rehearse; 6:15 p.m., Bowling teams at West Side alleys; 7:30 p.m., Church extension Society, Springfield.

Saturday—5:30 and 6:30 p.m., WSCS public smorgasbord.

Sunday—9:30 a.m., Church school; 11 a.m., Worship. Youth Sunday, young people participating. 6:30 p.m., Senior MYF meeting; 7:30 p.m., Adult Bible class at parsonage.

Monday—3 p.m., Junior MYF meeting.

Wednesday—7 p.m., Senior choir rehearse; 7 p.m., Webelos meeting.

All officers, commission chair-

Junior High Honor

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Coubrey, William Menard, Gary Metzger, Garma Meyer, Paul Miller, John Morin, Fred Muzzy, John Nieman, Carol Nieroda, Ann Nunziato, Maureen O'Keefe, David Olden, Virginia O'Reilly, Linda Owens, Christine Parzych, Patricia Philbin, Theresa Pietroniero, Elizabeth Polopek, David Puskey, William Quinn, Donald Raiche, James Ramah, Mark Ratcliffe, Judith Recchini, Darleen Rotondo, Thomas Shaker, Jacqueline Simonds, Patricia Smith, Deirdre Soper, Jean Stefanik, David Strole, Kenneth Thompson, Marquerite Truby, Nancy Tyler, Brenda Walker, Michael Wallace, Michael Wilson, Jean Woishnis, James Wojnarowicz, Elizabeth Wright, Kathryn Zymroz.

EIGHTH GRADE HONOR ROLL

MAXIMUM HONORS: Charles Ferrero, Thomas Ferrick, Donna Judd, Irene Karakla, Judith Leno, Harold Lynch, Jeanne Mathier, Patricia Salmonson, William Saur, Barry Soden, Edward Stefanik.

GENERAL HONORS: Richard Abbey, Roger Adams, Margaret Barry, Gail Baya, Douglas Bodman, Jacqueline Bouley, Leslie Brown, Jean Brusseau, Gary Cahill, Stephen Cateletti, Susan Chandler, David Cleary, Gerald Cleary, Lucinda Collins, John Connally, Donna Creamer, Linda Dal-Molin, Marilyn DeMont, Catherine Donovan, Dennis Donovan, Karen Dow, Marsha Dugan, Lawrence DuPont, Richard Eagan, Linda Fiasconaro, Moonyan Field, Beatrice Fontaine, Donald Gay, David Giugure, Julia Haidemenos, Catherine Harkins, Elaine Harris, Doreen Harry, Paul Hayes, Carol Haynes, Russell Haynes, Robert Hecker, Burce Hermans, Richard Hill, Robert Hinz, Holly Hopkins, Diane Jackson, Jerome Jackson, Barbara Janulewicz, Richard Kelch, Philip Kimball, Carol Kirby, John Kusiak, James Lamoneco, Phyllis Landers, Kathleen Leamy, Roger Leger, Cynthia Locke, Helen Loneto, Judith Lund, Randy McLean, Joanne Meagher, James Michalak, Beverly Mickey, Kathy Miller, Cathy Mokszin, Richard Morin, Linda Newell, Robert Osolinski, Douglas Parker, Laura Parker, Jean Parrow, Thomas Phaneuf, John Pienkowski, Marie Pienkowski, William Polopek, Joanne Poulos, John Pranulis, Richard Progulske, Sam Provo, Mary Pupello, John Quinn, Lynne Resegue, Dale Roberts, Nancy Rock, Patricia Sady, Judy Savioli, John Shepard, Kathleen Shepard, Wayne Silk, Paul Smith, Gail Snow, Joel Stewart, Sheila Swikalus, Colleen Tangredi, Linda Tomski, David Wade, Barbara White, Donna Woodnorth.

men, organization presidents reports due January 20. Contact Pastor immediately.

Youth Sunday, January 21. All young people will participate in the Morning Worship service under the supervision of John Conley, counselor.

Bible Baptist Church

Upper Church and Second Streets West Springfield, Massachusetts

Rev. Charles P. Benedict, Pastor

Sunday Services: 9:45 a.m. Bible School with classes for all ages. 11:00 a.m., Morning Worship; 7:00 p.m., Evening Service.

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m., Mid-week service for prayer and Bible Study.

Bible Baptist Church is in sympathy with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches and with the American and International Councils of Christian Churches.

Bible Baptist Church is a Bible-entered, gospel preaching church which endeavors to preach the "whole counsel of God."

"School Lunch Serves Good Health"



The theme of the poster contest, held in the Agawam Schools for 5th and 6th Grades, Jr. High and High School students, is the theme for School Lunch Week—"School Lunch Serves Good Health."

The winners, each of whom will receive a free lunch each day during School Lunch week, are left to

right: Richard Cimma, South Elementary School; Richard Taylor, Granger School; William Hine, Jr. High School; Jay Amaral, Robinson Park School; Denise Dickinson, Danahy School; Nancy Maziarz, Phelps School, and Santos Demichele, High School.

The posters of Jay Amaral, representing all 5th and 6th Grades, William Hine, representing the Jr. High School, and Santos Demichele representing the High School, were entered in the State wide poster contest. The results of this contest have not yet been received.

Sincere appreciation is extended to the art teachers: Mrs. Marjorie Beebe, Mrs. Lora Jekkals, Miss Geraldine Schilling, and to the students who shared their talents with us in observance of School Lunch Week, January 15-19.

Round The Town



By ANN NAIL

Chief Roland C. Reed, former Chief of Police of Agawam, is in the Holyoke Soldiers Home, Holyoke, receiving his annual check up. He is expected to return home next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Alberts of River Road announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, Lisa, who weighed in at 6 lbs. 6 oz. in Mt. Sinai Hospital, Hartford, Conn. Little Lisa has a sister, Susan, and a brother, Michael. Mr. Alberts is a well known local photographer and operates his own Medical photography business.

Mrs. Wilbur Cowan of Springfield St., Feeding Hills, entertained over the holidays her two children and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sullivan of Woodstock, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Griffith of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa.

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Parents are asked to inform the children that these markers are not to be tampered with—for if they are bent they will break off.

Residents who have hydrants near their home are asked to please keep them free of snow so they may be reached freely in an emergency.

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you know,
just moved to a
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RE 7-1189



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Nine AHS Students Score 100% NOMA Test

Nine Agawam High School students scored 100 per cent in the NOMA spelling tests given recently by business teacher, Emily McCormick. The perfect spellers are: Linda Bailey, Jane Cressotti, Sandra Drzyzga, Carole Hamar, Beverly Malone, Carol Roberts, Linda Shakespeare, Linna Tower and Mary Jane Wells.

The students qualify to take the second test which will be given in the near future. Students who achieve perfect scores in both tests will be presented NOMA Proficiency Awards in March. The spelling program is sponsored by the Springfield Chapter, National Office Management Association to develop an interest in accurate spelling for use in later life. David Skolnick, guidance counsellor and a NOMA member, stated that 45 high schools in Western Massachusetts are participating in the NOMA program.

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Members of the Agawam Women's Club will be privileged to see this unusual team present "Two For The Show" at the January 22d

meeting. This meeting will be held at the Agawam Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 8 p.m.

Members are reminded that this is the annual "Gentlemen's and Guest Night". A "Sing-A-Long" will follow the business meeting.

Refreshments will be served by Hospitality Co-Chairmen, Mrs. Charles D. Hodges and Mrs. Charles Mortenson.

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It's all part of TAP members' lively approach to volunteer community service. They also sponsor walkathons (shades of the Thirties!) in which teams from rival schools move toward the finish line as dimes are contributed. They dance for dimes at casual sock hops and formal balls, man concessions at school sports events, and hold community car washes.

Through such ingenious fun-for-funds projects, TAPs raised nearly three-quarters of a million dollars during the 1961 March of Dimes.

For the 1962 New March of Dimes in January, tens of thousands of the youthful volunteers are literally "on TAP." In more than 75 per cent of The National Foundation's 3,100 local county chapters, active TAP committees are determined to hit new highs in fun as well as funds.

Adult advisors who work with TAPs point out that underlying the outward frivolity of the teenagers' projects is a deep awareness of the need for increased research and progress in the fight against crippling birth defects, arthritis and polio. During the year, many youngsters assist in local patient services by reading to disabled children, writing letters for severely crippled arthritics or working as hospital aides.

A prime year-round responsibility of TAP members is distribution of information about National Foundation Health Scholarships to students in high schools and colleges. Each year, more than 500 four-year scholarships with a full value of \$2,000 apiece are offered for study in medicine, nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy and medical social work. TAP members know the desperate need to reduce the shortage of manpower in the health professions by encour-



TOP TEEN—Katherine Anne (Katie) Keith, 18, of Columbia, Mo., has her hands full as newly-appointed chairman of the 1962 New March of Dimes Teen Age Program (TAP).

aging students to undertake careers in these fields.

Leader of the Teen Age Program for the 1962 New March of Dimes is national chairman Katherine Anne Keith, 18, of Columbia, Mo. Blonde, brainy and born to be busy, Katie will handle her major responsibilities as top TAP while she pursues an ambitious freshman schedule at the University of Missouri.

On the basis of past performance, juggling scholarship and volunteer service won't intimidate Katie. She was 1961 Missouri state TAP chairman during her strenuous senior year in high school. Under her leadership, Missouri TAPs showed record gains in membership, services to chapters and funds raised for the March of Dimes.

At the same time, Katie maintained grades that ranked her third in her graduating class of almost 300 students. She was a National Merit Scholarship finalist and received the Kiwanis Good Citizenship award. She was business manager—and occasional sports-writer—for the school paper, treasurer of the National Honor Society, queen of the major social function of the school year, had a lead role in the school play, "Teahouse of the August Moon," and actively participated in math, history, English and French clubs.

She also teaches a Sunday School class at Missouri Methodist Church in Columbia.

After a summer in Europe, including study at the Sorbonne in Paris, the energetic Katie began to plan for a banner year of TAP activity for the March of Dimes.

"Teenagers who are looking for a sense of satisfaction along with fun and friendship are missing a bet if they don't check TAP activities in their local March of Dimes chapters," she said. "A TAP committee isn't just another youth organization—it's not merely a club to serve youth. Instead, it gives us an opportunity to serve our communities."

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FATE OF

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SCHOOLHOUSE

By EDITH LaFRANCIS

The clerk's book of School District 8 is a complete record of annual and special meetings over a period of forty years. Beginning Nov. 2, 1827, votes are recorded on routine matters such as wood supply, compliance with rules of the Ashley Fund, repairs, support of teachers, etc.

Only the south room of the school building was owned by the District and in years when they voted to keep "two schools", one to be taught by a man and one by a woman, they rented the north room from Roderick Allen (also spelled Allyn) who had by this time bought the north room and the meeting hall upstairs, from the proprietors.

In 1846, lengthy discussion began on whether to build a new school, repair the old or purchase the part owned by Mr. Allen.

Nov. 13, 1846 the Committee reported they had bought the school, taken a deed and given security of payment.

They planned to move the building back and put in a better foundation. They voted to rent out the upstairs hall except that it should be free to both "Societies" for use of singing schools. Two years later, however, more votes and discussion are recorded on whether or not to buy the school. In 1848 a special assessment of \$200 was collected from the inhabitants to pay for repairs.

Evidently Mr. Allen grew impatient that money was forthcoming for repairs and yet he must remain unpaid. Next we find the committee going to a lawyer for advice on a lawsuit pending between the District and Roderick Allen.

The District decided to sell the part they had bought from Mr. Allen and apply the proceeds to payment of their note to him. For this purpose they appointed a committee to attend to the sale the second Tuesday of April, 1849. But their good intentions of squaring the debt received another jolt. On March 31st at 5 a.m. the school house burned down. The next entry in the record says, "Met at the place where the school was burned and voted to adjourn to the horse shed of the meeting house." There they voted to ask help from the Selectmen in "detention and conviction of the person who burned the school house." Also voted a vigilance committee of 5 to bring the person to justice. Also voted to employ an attorney to have the suit with Mr. Allen put over to the next court.

Thus they were left with an empty treasury, without a schoolhouse, and with no means of paying the note to Mr. Allen. It would take plenty of Yankee ingenuity to pull themselves out of the hole.

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The VA requests that the cards be handled with care so that they will run through the tabulating machines when they are returned. They must not be folded, trimmed or mutilated in any manner.

The address in the upper right hand corner is the address to which the card should be returned and should be copied exactly as it appears. The abbreviations have been cleared with the post office. The cards will be delivered promptly to the VA offices if addressed in this way.

Most veterans and dependents will find only six or eight items that require information pertaining to annual income. Persons on the rolls under the new pension law effective July 1, 1960, must also fill in a net worth item as required by law.

Laws governing nonservice-connected pension payments require that the VA receive this income information each year. The amount of pension paid and the eligibility to receive any pension at all, depend upon the individual's need as determined from the amount of income received annually in addition to the pension.

Loomis Named "Y" Day Camp Chairman

Mr. William J. McLellan, president of the Agawam Community YMCA, announced this morning that Mr. James H. Loomis Jr. of the "Y" Board of Directors has been named Chairman of the Community YMCA Day Camp Committee.

The "Y" Day Camp, inaugurated in 1958, is now serving over 175 boys and girls in a six week summer program. With the acquisition of the new YMCA property the "Y" Day Camp Committee will be working on plans to shift the program to the new site for this summer.

Mr. Loomis was Director of the Wachogue Community Church Day Camp in 1955 and has been related to the development of that Day Camp since its inception. He is a graduate of Fitchburg State Teachers College and holds a master's degree from Westfield State Teachers College. He was appointed a teacher at the Granger School in 1952 and in 1960 was named principal. Mr. Loomis is a trained radiologist with the local Civil Defense Program as Secretary-Treasurer of the Call Firemen of Station 2 in Agawam and is serving as a Committee Chairman of Cub Pack 79 and is Vice-President of Agawam's Little League West. Mr. Loomis has been a member of the Agawam YMCA Youth Program Committee since 1959 and was elected to the Board of Directors of the Community YMCA in 1961.

Mr. Loomis is married to the former Marilyn Wilder and they and their three children reside at 14 Horsham Place. The "Y" Day Camp Committee will hold their first meeting soon to discuss the 1962 summer program.

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January 22

To

January 26

SENIOR HIGH

Monday — Juice, Hamburg on Roll, Potato Chips, Whole Kernel Corn, Cherry Crisp, Milk.

Tuesday — Juice, Beef Stew with Vegetables, Buttered Roll, Ice Cream Cup, Milk.

Wednesday — Roast Turkey in Gravy, Mashed Potato, Buttered Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Bread and Butter, Candy Bar, Milk.

Thursday — Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Cabbage and Carrot Salad, Bread and Butter, Applesauce, Milk.

Friday — Tomato Soup with Buttered Crotons, Egg Salad Sandwich, Garden Salad, Oven Brown Potato, Peanut Butter Cookies, Milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday — Orange Juice, Meat Ball Grinders, Potato Chips, Tossed Salad, Apple Crisp, Milk.

Tuesday — Grapefruit Juice, Spaghetti, Cabbage and Carrot Salad, Fruit Cup, Bread and Butter, Milk.

Wednesday — Oven Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Broccoli, Jello and Topping, Bread and Butter, Milk.

Thursday — Juice, Hamburg on Roll, Green Beans, Peanut Butter Cookies, Sliced Peaches, Jelly Sandwich, Milk.

Friday — Juice, Pizza, Celery and Carrot Sticks, White Cake, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Milk.

DANAHY

Monday — Mashed Potatoes, Hamburg Gravy, Buttered Broccoli, Bread and Butter, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Tuesday — Ravioli with Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Cheese Wedge, Bread and Butter, Apple Crisp, Milk.

Wednesday — Mashed Potatoes, Baked Chicken, Cranberry Sauce, Buttered Peas and Carrots, Bread and Butter, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

Thursday — Juice, Hamburg and Roll with Mustard and Relish, Potato Chips, Buttered Corn, Cheese Wedge, Chocolate Cake with Frosting, Milk.

Friday — Tomato Vegetable Soup, Tuna Salad and Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Celery and Carrot Sticks, Raspberry Square, Milk.

GRANGER

Monday — Juice, Grilled Hamburg on Buttered Roll, Potato Chips, Cheese Cube, Relish and Mustard, Buttered Corn, Milk.

Tuesday — Oven Fried Chicken, Parsley Potato, Cranberry Sauce, Buttered Wax Beans, Peaches, Milk.

Wednesday — Shoemaker Lane, South, Southwick, South West, Sunset Ter., Thalia Dr., and William St.

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Wednesday — Macaroni and Hamburg, Cole Slaw, Bread and Butter, Ginger Bread with Applesauce Topping, Milk.

Thursday — Hamburg Gravy, Mashed Potato, Buttered Green Beans, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Citrus Fruit Cup, Milk.

Friday — Tomato Soup with Crackers, Tuna Salad Sandwich, Celery and Carrot Sticks, Peanut Butter Cookie, Chewy Coconut Bars, Milk.

PEIRCE

Monday — Orange Juice, Beef Vegetable Stew, Cheese Finger, Bread and Butter, Cherry Crisp, Milk.

Tuesday — Pizza Burgers, Potato Chips, Buttered Corn, Peaches, Milk.

Wednesday — Turkey in Brown Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Buttered Mixed Vegetables, Chocolate Peanut Butter Cookies, Milk.

Thursday — Orange Juice, Baked Hash, Carrot and Celery Sticks, Peanut Butter Sandwich with Jelly, Fruited Jello with Topping, Milk.

Friday — Baked Macaroni with Cheese and Tomatoes, Green and Golden Beans, Bread and Butter, Fruit Cup, Milk.

PHELPS

Monday — Ham and Cheese in Toasted Roll, Escaloped Tomatoes, Carrot Sticks, Cherry Crisp, Milk.

Tuesday — Grilled Hamburg on Buttered Bun, Relish and Onion Slices, Buttered Green Beans, Pineapple Chunks, Milk.

Wednesday — Citrus Juice, Grilled Frankfurt, Parsley Potatoes, Buttered Carrots and Peas, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Gingerbread with Topping, Milk.

Thursday — Turkey Vegetable Soup, Turkey Salad Sandwich, Orange Wedges, Milk.

Friday — Citrus Juice, Baked Beans, Tossed Green Salad, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Custard Bread Pudding with Raisins and Topping, Milk.

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If you were asked, "Of all the inventions of mankind, which one invention has added most to civilization?" you might have to stop and ponder.

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The invention to which we refer is the invention of movable type by Gutenberg, which was the real beginning of printing in the literal sense. It is right interesting to know how this invention came about or happened, but before we relate the story let's look back briefly to the conditions that existed prior to that time.

All of you recall, I'm sure, that the enlightenment of the mind was confined very much to the church in ancient time, that scribes and priests copied documents and scriptures by hand with a quill and it is also interesting to note that a number of type faces were originally cut to copy or match the handwriting of some of those early scriveners and that to this very day those type faces still bear the earmarks of some of the best of those early scribes.

So Johannas Gutenberg studied the old wood block printing plates which were carved by hand and he went to many cities to visit men who made these engravings. It is recorded that one day he was visiting an engraver of woods and he dropped one of these wood plates and it broke into many pieces. He picked these parts from the floor and began piecing them together and historian DeLamartine says that "a light, as the lightning from heaven, flashed before his eyes." Thus came about the idea, the invention of movable type and it is significant that the wood block which fell, carried a religious inscription and, therefore, the birth of printing may have been divinely inspired.

Johannas needed a machine to make the impressions on vellum and in those days the screw or lever wine press was the obvious answer and thus the principles of the wine press were adopted to the first printing press and from that point on the intelligence, knowledge, and wisdom of all the ages before literally flooded forth to the benefit of men's minds and souls.

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- ★ To portray by visible examples the alert spirit and enterprise that actuates the printing industry of today.
- ★ To encourage young people to share in the limitless career opportunities provided by Graphic Arts educational facilities.
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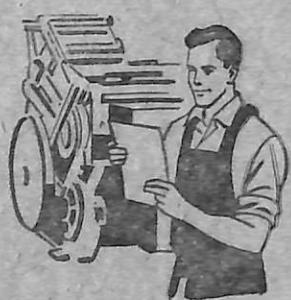
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SPORTSMEN'S CORNERby
Bill
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The bill to require deer hunters to wear at least 200 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange material about the head or shoulders has been reentered this year with the legislature by the Division of Fisheries and Game. This bill failed to pass by just one vote last year, largely because of an erroneous belief that hunters would have to junk their present hunting clothes and re-outfit. This is not the case, according to the Division. You don't have to throw your coat away — just pull a vest over it.

If this bill passes it merely removes from present law the choice

of three colors (red, yellow, and plain orange) and substitutes fluorescent orange in their place. The vests can be worn over any color of clothing.

The new color would be required only during the December gun season on deer. Small-game hunters and ARCHERS in the November bow and arrow season would not have to have it. The bowhunters last year insisted that the wearing of full camouflage outfits without the addition of bright colors be inserted in the bill. The Division complied with the request.

Another bill filed by the Division, with the sanction of the Quabbin Hatchery Committee, is to allow the Division to have preliminary engineering plans drawn on the proposed Quabbin hatchery. The cost of the survey would be in the vicinity of \$20,000.

Mawaga Elects

The Mawaga Sportsmen Club elected new officers for the coming year. Jim Chandler was elected president, Anthony D. Forcine, vice-president; Vin Fimornari, financial secretary, and Dan Binnekade was retained as treasurer.

New members voted in at the recent meeting were: Leo Balboni of Reed Street, Agawam, and Edwin (Doc) Baldwin of Main Street, Agawam. The Board of Directors of the club for the coming year are: Hy Fox, Joe Stover, Al Hebert, Carl Anderson, and Ed Chapin. Stan Berchulski was voted in as an Honorary Member for 1962.

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The Pioneer Valley Sportsmen Club of West Springfield held their annual elections of officers January 11th at a special meeting. Ken Warren was re-elected president. Other offices filled were: Hy Fox, 1st vice-president; Joseph Syzdek, 2nd vice-president; Clayton Brown, financial secretary, and Robert Durkee was re-elected treasurer. New members voted in: Robert Hall, Paul Galaska, William Coons Jr., Joseph Demers, William Foret, Raphael Reyome and Ralph Hall.

The junior members of the club will meet January 19th at the club house.

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Fishing
Bass, pickerel, pike, walleye and panfish season continues on all waters except Quabbin reservoir through February 28, plus two brown, brook or rainbow trout may be taken daily in lakes and ponds



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Mawaga In Capable Hands

The newly elected officers of the Mawaga Sportmen Club are pictured above from left to right: Anthony D. Forcine, vice president; Jim Chandler, president; Dan Binnekade, treasurer, and Vin Fimornari, financial secretary.

Credit Union Annual Banquet To Be Jan. 27

The banquet committee of the Agawam Town Employees Federal Credit Union held its first meeting in the conference room at the High School on Wednesday, January 3. This year the annual banquet will be held at Betty's Old Towne House on Saturday, January 27 at 7 p.m. Following the banquet there will be dancing to the music of Al Alcorn's orchestra.

Chairman of the committee is Ted Bishop and he will be assisted by the following subcommittee chairmen: Dorothy Hastings and Ann Schneider, tickets and arrangements; Matthew Blachak of the Fire Department and Edmund Kalinowski of the Police Department, entertainment, and Edward Talmadge, publicity.

Tickets may be acquired by members at their respective places of employment. The banquet committee anticipates that many Credit Union members will attend this annual social affair.

that have not been reclaimed.

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The Division of Fisheries and Game released a total of 57,631 pheasants (cock birds) during the 1961 calendar year. Only 16,182 cocks were placed in the state-operated public hunting grounds, the remainder, 41,449 cocks, were all stocked in open covers not controlled by the Division. This is more than twice as many as were stocked in all covers ten years ago.

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W S C S At Lay Church Public Smorgasbord**Special Dessert To Be Strawberry Shortcake**

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Lay Memorial Methodist Church in Feeding Hills, will sponsor a public smorgasbord featuring 'strawberry shortcake' on Saturday, January 20.

Servings will be at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m., with a menu of various hot dishes, a choice of salad, ham, frankfurts, swedish meat balls, home baked beans and for dessert, delicious strawberry shortcake.

In charge of the dining room will be Mrs. Hebert Binns and Mrs. Marshall Keyes. The kitchen will be supervised by Mrs. Ruth Johnson, assisted by Mrs. Love Ashton, Mrs. Leona Osgood, Mrs. Donald Lindsey and Mrs. Everett Cross, Jr.

Reservations may be made with Mrs. Leland Osgood at RE 9-0834 and Mrs. Ronald Ashton at RE 6-2018.

"A learned blockhead is a greater blockhead than an ignorant one."

—Benjamin Franklin

Catholic Women's Club Bowling Scores

The Catholic Women's Club Bowling league, which bowls on Tuesday evening at the Riverside Bowling Alleys, just concluded the third round of the season. Third round winners were the Notre Dame team, Captain Lillian Doyle. They won fifteen points and lost five with a total pinfall of 6824 for the round.

High Average Bowlers—Class A: Dot Rosati, 96.34; Estelle Veronesi, 94.42; Class B: Martha Jerry, 89.20; Ida Disotell, 89.16; Class C: Wanda Meagher, 91.13; Mary Cadorette, 86.34; Class D: Rose Shaylor, 84.15; Terry Longo, 82.3.

High Single String—Dot Rosati, 136.

High Three Strings—Dot Rosati, 334.

High Team Single—Vassar, Captain Terry Kelley, 513.

High Team Three, Vassar, Captain Terry Kelley, 1468.

"300" Club

Dot Rossi, 326-303-302-334-317; Lil Doyle, 302-300-304-317; Estelle Veronesi, 300-321-306-312; Terry Crupi, 330-311-311; Peg DeFilipi, 304-312-300; Wanda Meagher, 308-313; Lil Casiello, 318-307; Terry Kelley, 306; Kay Cleary, 309; Ida Disotell, 300; Ann O'Keefe, 302.

The Catholic Woman's Bowling League recently held their mid-year banquet at the Federal Hill Club. Mrs. James O'Keefe was chairman of the evening. Games were enjoyed by all prizes for game winners and novelty door prizes were awarded.

SELECTMEN'S DESK

At a joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and the Parks, Playground & Recreation Commission Edward R. Borgatti was elected to fill the vacancy on the Commission left by the resignation of Samuel Provo.

BOARD OF HEALTH—adopted the following on January 5, 1962:

No individual or individuals, partnership, firm, company, corporation, or agents thereof, shall construct or install, or give cause to construct or install for profit or pro gratis, any "House Sewer" or "Main Drain" within the limits of the Town of Agawam, without first obtaining a permit from the Board of Health or its Agent. All such permits shall expire six months from the date of issue, unless sooner revoked. Any permit may be revoked at any time by the Board of Health or its Agent for cause.

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by BUCKY O'BRIEN

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This coming March the various radio, press, and TV reporters around the AHL will sit down and cast their ballots for the All-Star team. Last season they omitted the obvious name of Jimmy Anderson from the first team so I am in hopes they will atone for their oversight and place the right men on the team.

One guy who should be given plenty of consideration this year is 26 year old Noel Price of Con-

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guard of the Springfield Indians, Noel is by far the most improved player in the league and the best bet to make the NHL. Teamed with the Eddie Shore Trophy winner, Bob McCord this two-some makes things pretty tough on enemy sharp shooters all evening.

Whenever the Tribe gets in trouble and can't seem to move the puck out of their zone, Noel gets the nod and he usually lugs the puck the length of the ice and out of danger. The Noel Price rush has become a familiar sight at the Coliseum lately and every time he gets his stick on the puck the fans start to get excited for he affords them with plenty of entertainment with his uncanny ability to deke out the opposition and sweep through their defense.

We have seen all the teams in the AHL play here this season. We have had a good look at all the rest of the defensemen in the league but none of them is any smoother, more aggressive, or generally as good an all around defenseman as Noel Price, my personal endorsement for the AHL All-Star team. Let's hope the rest of key punchers in the league are cognizant of his attributes as we are.

AROUND THE RINK . . . Harry Pidhirny, former Indian captain and now currently playing with San Francisco in the WHL has 12 goals and 16 assists so far . . . Bob Kabel has been skating all week and reports he should be ready in about another week . . . Hard luck Jack Caffery was a visitor at the Coliseum the past week. Jack just recovered from a knee operation and hopes to be able to play again next year . . . The New York Rangers are really having their troubles lately. If Bill Sweeney, Brian Kilrea and Floyd Smith couldn't do as well as Guy Gendron, Ted Hampson, Jean Ratelle, or Vic Hadfield I'd like to know about it . . . I am in no hurry to lose men of this caliber but let's face it they deserve a shot in the big top.

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A. F. JEVONS

A. F. Jevons of 141 Liberty St., Feeding Hills, has been appointed to the educational staff of University of West Virginia, January 29 through February 2—to teach heating and air-conditioning engineering short courses for the National Warm Air & Air Conditioning Association.

In addition to instructorship of an advanced class of engineering, Mr. Jevons will also present a lecture of air-handling for the modern split level home.

Starting in April, Mr. Jevons will again serve on the educational staff of the University of Connecticut as an instructor for this same national organization and will present a series of lectures for the New York State Agricultural and Technical Institute late in February and March.

Mr. Jevons is the District Manager for the Lima Register Co., Lima, Ohio, a national manufacturer of heating and air-conditioning equipment.

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Grady Appointed
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under Civil Service. On October 29, 1949 he was appointed to the rank of Sergeant.

He has been appointed as Acting Chief of the Agawam Police Department on five different occasions during the the absence of Chief Roland C. Reed. The last time being from October 1, 1961 to

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date. For the past twelve years Sgt. Grady has served as administrative assistant to the Chief.

One of the factors in arriving at the decision to name Sgt. Kenneth Grady, was the excellent leadership training which he experienced in the China-India-Burma Theatre, when, as an assignee to the Air Force, he worked for the Intelligence and Security Division out of the Provost Marshal's Office. When he was attached to the Intelligence Office in China he was in charge of four teams investigating subversive activities and sabotage. He was discharged from the Air Corps January 8, 1946.

Chief Grady is married to the former Betty Reiley of Providence, Rhode Island. The Grady's reside at 77 Oak Hill Avenue, Agawam. They have three children, Mrs. Barbara Tessicini; and two sons, Kenneth and Larry, attending the Agawam Schools.

It is the firm intent of the Board to review department activities with Chief Grady in the development of long range administrative and policy program for the future.

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On December 21, Ranger Andy, of Channel 3, Hartford, Conn., had as his 'Special Guest of the Day' little Nancy DeCosmo, seven year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J.

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**THIRD NATIONAL'S INCOME
INCREASES DURING 1961**

Operating income of the Third National Bank of Hampden County was \$5,256,173 in the 12 months ending December 31, 1961, an increase of \$150,792 over the \$5,105,381 for 1960, President Harlan A. Sears reported today.

Operating expenses of \$3,360,117 for 1961 also were higher than the \$3,068,571 in 1960, reflecting to some extent the costs involved in the Third National's program of

DeCosmo of Florida Drive.

Nancy delighted the Ranger and all of his little guests as she performed with her baton. She was dressed for the holiday appearance in a lovely bright and shiny Christmas costume.

Although the limited space and the bright overhead lights were a handicap, little Nancy, in her well known showmanship style made the best of the situation and went ahead with her exhibition and did a 'real great job' according to Ranger Andy.

She is a pupil of Mary Farina's School of Baton in Agawam and also a talented tap and ballet pupil of the Anita's Dance Studio of Springfield. Nancy has won many trophies and medals, as well as a citation from Radio Station WACE in Chicopee for her baton twirling in competitions throughout many states.

expansion during 1961. During the past year the bank opened a new office building in Indian Orchard, launched new offices in Southwick, Agawam, and Longmeadow, and consolidated with the Hampden National Bank and Trust Company of Westfield.

The Third National's operating income after taxes totaled \$988,563 or \$4.87 per share on the average 202,992 shares of stock outstanding during the year.

In 1960, the Third National or \$4.87 per share on the average shares that were outstanding.

The Third National's December 31, 1961 figures include the operations of the Westfield office—formerly the Hampden National Bank and Trust Company—since November 20, 1961.

"Generally speaking," Mr. Sears said, "1961 was a good year for the Third National Bank of Hampden County. Our earnings were only slightly below those of 1960 . . . despite the expenses that went with our growth strides during the past year."

The bank, which now has 10 offices in seven Hampden County communities, recently reported its year-end assets were at an all time high of \$135,186,489, a gain of more than \$19.6 million over the \$115,551,067 at the end of 1960.

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